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AMENDMENT

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED
TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of September 26, 2002, the time for responding thereto being extended for three months in accordance with a Petition for Extension of Time submitted herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

Kindly amend claims 1, 19 and 20 as follows:

C1 1. (Twice Amended) A soft capsule encapsulating a medicinal liquid comprising a dietary fiber in an amount of 5 to 90% by weight based on a whole composition of the medicinal liquid;

wherein said medicinal liquid is in the form of a suspension which is homogenized.

C2 19. (Twice Amended) A soft capsule encapsulating a medicinal liquid consisting essentially of:
a dietary fiber in an amount of 5 to 90% by weight based on a whole composition of the medicinal liquid; and